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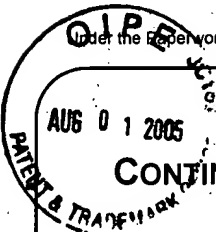
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Application Number	09/475,548
Filing Date	December 30, 1999
First Named Inventor	Jeffrey A. Steward
Art Unit	3763
Examiner Name	Loan H. Thanh
Attorney Docket Number	50623.103

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR 1.114 of the above-identified application. Request for Continued Examination (RCE) practice under 37 CFR 1.114 does not apply to any utility or plant application filed prior to June 8, 1995, or to any design application. See Instruction Sheet for RCEs (not to be submitted to the USPTO) on page 2.

1. **Submission required under 37 C.F.R. 1.114**

- a. ☐ Previously submitted
- i. ☒ Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. 1.116 previously filed on April 13, 2005.  
(Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered).
- ii. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on \_\_\_\_\_
- iii. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_
- b. Enclosed
- i. ☐ Amendment/Reply
- ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
- iii. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
- iv. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

2. **Miscellaneous**

- a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. 1.103(c) for a period of \_\_\_\_\_ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 C.F.R. 1.17(i) required)
- b. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

3. **Fees** The RCE fee under 37 C.F.R. 1.17(e) is required by 37 C.F.R. 1.114 when the RCE is filed.

- a. ☒ The Director is hereby authorized to charge the following fees, or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No. 07-1850
- i. ☒ RCE fee required under 37 C.F.R. 1.17(e)
- ii. ☒ Extension of time fee (37 C.F.R. 1.136 and 1.17)
- iii. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_
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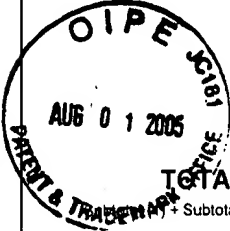
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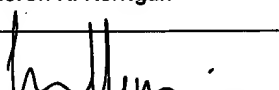
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